Salisbury State College

baseball

Top: John Massey
Bottom: Drew Gee

baseball

1983 results

SSC		OPP
8	UMBC	2
5	Washington	0
5	UNC-Wilmington	14
2	Francis Marion	5
1	Citadel	2
2	Citadel	16
4	Baptist	1
16	Baptist	8
3	Brandeis	2
5	Millersville	4
2	Millersville	1
31	**UMES**	**3**
29	**Catholic**	**7**
3	**UMBC**	**4**
2	Virginia Wesleyan	4
15	Delaware State	10
3	Delaware	9
24	Baltimore	4
6	Frostburg	3
1	Frostburg	6
5	George Mason	4
6	West Chester	5
16	Glassboro	3
9	St. Mary's	1
6	St. Mary's	4
10	Christopher Newport	5
7	York	6
8	York	12
18	UMES	4
18	Johns Hopkins	6
1	Old Dominion	9
3	N.C. Wesleyan	5
8	Methodist	16

Final Record 21-12 (10-5 in Division III)

1964/1983 won lost

Conference Standing	Year	Regular Season W-L-T	Overall W-L-T
Independent	1964	1-8	1-8
Independent	1965	1-16	1-16
Independent	1966	5-9	5-9
Independent	1967	10-7	10-7
Independent	1968	10-7	10-7
DVC 2nd	1969	13-8	14-9
DVC 1st	1970	17-10	17-10
DVC 1st	1971	11-12-1	11-12-1
DVC 1st	1972	18-13	18-13
DVC 1st	1973	17-11	17-11
M-D Ineligible	**1974**	**11-16**	**11-16**
M-D 5th	**1975**	**16-20**	**16-20**
M-D 3rd	**1976**	**25-15**	**25-15**
M-D 1st	**1977**	**31-9**	**33-11**
Independent	1978	27-9	29-11
Independent	1979	19-12-2	19-12-2
Independent	1980	21-6-0	24-8-0
Independent	1981	21-10-2	22-12-2
Independent	1982	17-14	17-14
Independent	1983	21-10	21-12
Totals: 19 years	291-202-5	300-221-5	
PCT.	.584	.570	
20 years	312-212-5	321-233-5	
PCT.	.595	.579	

1969	NAIA	District 19 tournament	2nd
1970	NAIA	District 19 tournament	2nd
1971	NAIA	District 19 tournament	4th
1972	NAIA	District 19 tournament	4th
1977	NCAA	South Atlantic Regional	3rd
1978	NCAA	South Atlantic Regional	3rd
1980	NCAA	South Atlantic Regional	2nd
1981	NCAA	South Atlantic Regional	3rd
1983	NCAA	South Atlantic Regional	4th

prospectus

Head coach Deane Deshon is looking forward to another winning season in 1984 after posting a 21-12 record last year, 21-10 in regular season play before losing twice in regional playoff action.

Over the past eight years, Deshon's teams have produced a 180-95-4 record, resulting in a .655 winning percentage. Once again in 1983, consistent hitting was the hallmark of the Gull's success as the team compiled a .307 batting average with nine hitters going over the .300 mark.

Brian Dunn topped the SSC sticks with a .364 mark, nipping 1982 leader John Massey, who was right on Dunn's heels at .362. Dunn, a shortstop, and Massey, an outfielder, will both return for the 1984 campaign along with power hitter Jeff Brubaker, who slugged seven homers last year to bring his two year total to 16.

In addition to Massey, Steve Caldwell, another good hitter, also returns to the outfield. A newcomer, Jerry Oravitz, a senior transfer student from Wilmington, Del., is a left-handed hitter who should see action.

The Sea Gull infield is pretty well set with junior Jay Wilson holding down the keystone sack after hitting .325 as a sophomore. The hard-hitting Dunn is a fixture at short and first base will be handled by Brubaker and sophomore Alex Davis, from Wicomico High School in Salisbury. Brubaker may also be used as a designated hitter, along with senior Joe Hampton.

The hot corner will be in good hands with the return of Drew Gee, who missed last season. Jeff Stokes, a freshman who can play shortstop or third, will add depth to the infield.

Sophomore Steve Lippy will handle most of the catching duties but may be pressed by second-year man Steve Greenwood, who improved rapidly last year.

With the graduation of Dwayne Nicodemus, senior hurler Steve Butler will probably do the bulk of the Salisbury pitching this season. Butler was 6-4 a year ago with an ERA of 5.57. Dave Willis (2-1) and Tim Petersen (6-2), used mostly in relief, will also be back on the mound. Craig Shreeves, a freshman, has been impressive in fall practice. David Hall, an infielder last year, can also pitch, along with Mike Sullivan, 1-0 a year ago.

"The success of this year's team will probably depend on how well our pitching comes through," said Deshon, who is satisfied the hitters will continue to produce and the fielding will improve. "Our staff has the potential to surprise a lot of people and if everything clicks, we should have an excellent season."

1984 schedule

Date	Opponent	Time	Site
March			
10	Catholic	1:00	H
12	UMBC	3:00	H
13	Washington	3:00	H
17	Frostburg State (2)	11:00	H
18	Skidmore	1:00	H
19	Skidmore	3:00	H
20	Millersville State (2)		A
23	Hampden-Sydney		A
24	UNC-Wilmington		A
25	Francis Marion		A
26	Baptist		A
27	Baptist		A
28	Citadel		A
29	St. Andrews		A
30	Methodist		A
31	NC Wesleyan		A
April			
4	Delaware State		A
7	Mount St. Mary's	1:00	H
8	Catholic		A
10	Trenton State		A
12	Virginia Wesleyan	3:00	H
14	Christopher Newport		A
15	Johns Hopkins		A
16	Delaware	3:00	H
17	George Mason	3:00	H
21	St. Mary's (2)	1:00	H
25	UMES		A
28	George Mason		A
May			
2	UMBC		A
4	Mount St. Mary's (2)		A
7	UMES	3:00	H
8	Glassboro State		A
12	York (2)		A

flash facts

Location . . . . . Salisbury, Maryland 21801
Enrollment. . . . . 3,200 (co-ed full time)
Colors . . . . . Maroon and Gold
Nickname . . . . . Sea Gulls
Affiliation . . . . . NCAA Division III
President . . . . . Thomas Bellavance
Chairman Dept. of P.E.. . . . . Deane E. Deshon
(301) 543-6345
(301) 742-7458 Home
Sports Information Director. . . . . George McKiernan
(301) 543-6033
Head Trainer. . . . . Pat Lamboni
Field . . . . . Astro turf infield, 325 left, 400 center, 325 right

1983 statistics

	G	AB	R	H	PO	A	E	2B	3B	HR	SB	BB	SO	RBI	FA	BA
Brian Dunn	31	121	33	44	51	88	13	7	2	3	18/19	11	17	23	.914	.364
John Massey	30	116	28	42	52	3	-	5	1	1	7/10	17	5	20	1.000	.362
Dwayne Nicodemus	16	34	8	12	2	6	3	3	-	1	-	7	4	9	.818	.358
Jay Wilson	33	120	33	39	77	77	4	7	4	1	11/12	17	14	28	.975	.325
Dave Mullineaux	33	127	35	41	87	6	3	9	1	6	7/8	19	22	35	.969	.323
Jeff Brubaker	33	116	31	37	113	50	17	6	1	7	3/3	19	26	25	.905	.319
Steve Caldwell	33	131	36	41	47	1	7	3	1	2	12/16	10	23	21	.873	.313
John Speed	26	26	16	8	9	-	-	1	-	2	11/12	5	2	7	1.000	.308
Alex Davis	25	76	13	23	164	5	4	2	1	-	1/1	12	15	16	.977	.303
Steve Greenwood	6	7	2	2	13	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1.000	.285
Joe Hampton	29	77	14	21	7	-	-	3	-	3	-	9	13	22	1.000	.273
Billy Todd	8	16	3	4	3	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	4	2	.750	.250
David Hall	18	66	9	15	24	31	16	4	3	-	1/1	5	10	13	.775	.227
Steve Lippy	28	66	17	12	95	21	3	2	-	-	-	18	9	8	.975	.182
Mike Sullivan	12	19	1	2	27	2	1	-	-	-	-	5	7	3	.967	.105
Others		23	3	7	19	40	8	1	1	-	1/1	1	-	3	.880	.304
Totals	33	1141	282	350	790	341	83	55	15	26	72/83	156	171	231	.929	.307

pitching statistics

	G	IP	R	ER	H	SO	BB	ERA	W-L
Dwayne Nicodemus	12	79.1	39	25	65	26	33	2.84	5-4
Dave Willis	18	38.0	30	16	39	24	27	3.79	2-1
Tim Petersen	9	50.2	34	24	54	26	33	4.27	6-2
Steve Butler	11	63.0	46	39	61	29	34	5.57	6-4
Mike Sullivan	3	7.0	8	5	3	6	10	6.42	1-0
Harry Willey	1	4.0	3	3	2	5	9	6.75	1-0
David Hall	1	5.2	8	5	8	0	3	8.44	0-0
Jimmy Doyle	4	5.2	11	10	9	7	15	15.87	0-1
Steve Caldwell	1	1.0	0	0	0	2	1	0.00	0-0
John Massey	1	0.2	0	0	2	2	0	0.00	0-0
Dave Mullineaux	1	0.1	0	0	1	0	1	0.00	0-0
Totals	33	263.1	185	131	251	131	163	4.48	21-12

records

batting season

At Bats	166	Joe Frisbee	1977
Runs	51	Dave Funk	1977
Hits	68	Jesse Plummer	1977
RBI	50	Robin Knight	1976
Batting Ave.	.472	John Massey	1982
Doubles	19	Bryan Perry	1978
Triples	6	Jesse Plummer	1977
Home Runs	10	Robin Knight	1976
Walks	39	Dave Funk	1977
Strike Outs	28	Joe Frisbee	1977
Stolen Bases	39	Chuck Hebron	1978
Hit Streak/Games	18	Tom Krahling	1980

pitching season

Career Wins	28	Wyatt Kerley	1976-79
Career SO	322	Phil Briggs	1966-69
Consecutive Wins	11	Bruce Lane	1976
		Brian Brushe	1977
Season Wins	12	Brian Brushe	1977
Complete Games/Season	10	Brian Brushe	1977
Innings Pitched Season	99	Brian Brushe	1977
Strikeouts /Season	100	Phil Briggs	1968
Most Walks/Season	46	Harry Winters	1975
Least Walks/Season	9	Phil Briggs (60 1/3 innings)	1966
Strikeouts/Career	322	Phil Briggs	1966-69
ERA/Season	1.99	Bob Caples	1981

coaching staff

Deane Deshon Bob Vermillion

HEAD COACH DEANE DESHON is beginning his 21st year as leader of the Sea Gull nine. Deshon sports a 20-year record of 321-233-5 with 14 winning seasons, including the last eight in a row.

Deshon did his undergraduate work at the Maine Maritime Academy and the University of Maine. He then earned an M.S. from the University of Maryland where he served as freshman baseball coach for two years. Deshon is also the athletic director at Salisbury State.

BOB VERMILLION returns as assistant coach for his second year after beginning his coaching career last season. Vermillion was SSC's second baseman for all four years of his varsity career. He is a graduate of Woodlawn High School in Baltimore where he lettered in baseball and football. Vermillion also played on the 1980 Johnny's team from Baltimore which won the national championship of the American Amateur Baseball Association. (AABA).

DWAYNE NICODEMUS will be working with the pitchers this spring after closing out his collegiate career last season. A graduate of Thomas Johnson High School, Nicodemus was the Sea Gulls' leading pitcher in 1983 with a record of 5-4 and an earned run average of only 2.84. He also enjoyed a 4-0 season in 1982 and his experience should be a big help to the young pitchers on hand this year.